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Amendments to the Claims:

Please amend claims 1, 5 and 7 and cancel claims 3 and 4 as follows. This listing of claims will replace all prior versions, and listings, of claims in the application.

1. (currently amended) An electroluminescent device comprising a substrate (1), a porous layer (2) that borders on said substrate (1), a laminated body that borders on said porous layer (2) and that comprises at least a first electrode (3), an electroluminescent layer (4) and a second electrode (5), with a colored material being at least partially present in the pores of the porous layer (2), wherein the porous layer (2) is segmented and the segments of the porous layer (2) have different shapes.

2. (original) An electroluminescent device as claimed in claim 1, characterized in that the porous layer (2) contains at least two colored materials.

3. (canceled) ~~An electroluminescent device as claimed in claim 2, characterized in that the porous layer (2) is segmented.~~

4. (canceled) ~~An electroluminescent device as claimed in claim 3, characterized in that the segments of the porous layer (2) have different shapes.~~

5. (currently amended) An electroluminescent device as claimed in ~~claim 4~~ claim 1, characterized in that the segments of the porous layer (2) take the form of stripes and/or pixels.

6. (previously presented) An electroluminescent device as claimed in claim 1, characterized in that the colored material is an ink.

7. (currently amended) A method of manufacturing an electroluminescent device which comprises a substrate (1), a porous layer (2) that borders on said substrate (1) wherein the porous layer (2) is segmented and the segments of the porous layer (2) have different shapes, a laminated body that borders on said porous layer (2) and that is composed of at least a first electrode (3), an electroluminescent layer (4) and a second electrode (6), with a colored material being at least partially present in the pores of the porous layer (2), characterized in that the colored material is introduced into the porous layer (2) by means of ink jet printing.